

## Message Text

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FM AMCONSUL LAHORE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1267  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, PK  
SUBJECT: ARMY SHOOTS DEMONSTRATORS

REF: LAHORE 0486

1. ARMY OPENED FIRE ON PNA DEMONSTRATORS IN LAHORE MAY 6,

REPORTEDLY KILLING FOUR PERSONS AND WOUNDING SIXTEEN OTHERS.  
WASHINGTON POST CORRESPONDENT LEWIS SIMONS, WHO WITNESSED  
SOME OF THE SHOOTING, INFORMED CONGEN THAT STUDENTS TOOK  
OUT A PROCESSION IN DEFIANCE OF MARTIAL LAW FROM NILA  
GUMBAT MOSQUE ABOUT 3:00 P.M. AND MARCHED FOR NEARLY HALF  
AN HOUR AROUND ANARKALI BAZAAR IN MAIN DOWNTOWN SHOPPING  
AREA. AFTER DODGING ARMY ROADBLOCKS AT SEVERAL POINTS,  
MARCHERS ATTEMPTED TO COME OUT OF ANARKALI AND ENTER NEARBY  
CIRCULAR ROAD. ABOUT A DOZEN SOLDIERS TOOK UP FIRING POSITIONS  
AND ORDERED CROWD, WHICH HAD SWELLED TO ABOUT 2,000 INCLUDING  
VARIOUS STREET ELEMENTS, TO HALT. MAIN BODY HELD BACK,  
BUT TWENTY OR THIRTY STUDENTS BEGAN TO EDGE FORWARD. TROOPS  
OPENED FIRE SUDDENLY, KILLING TWO OUTRIGHT AND WOUNDING  
ELEVEN OTHERS. SIMONS SAW THE TWO GET KILLED AND IS CERTAIN  
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AT LEAST ONE OTHER WAS FATALLY WOUNDED.

2. IN SECOND SHOOTING INCIDENT, STILL UNCONFIRMED, ARMY  
OPENED FIRE ON ANOTHER GROUP OF PNA DEMONSTRATORS WHO CAME  
OUT OF MUSLIM MOSQUE, NOT FAR FROM PLACE WHERE ABOVE STUDENTS  
WERE KILLED. ACCORDING TO LATEST REPORTS, TWO WERE SHOT  
DEAD AND FIVE WOUNDED.

3. CURFEW, WHICH WAS LIFTED FROM 1:30 P.M. TO 3:30 P.M.  
TO ALLOW FOR FRIDAY CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS, HAS BEEN  
REIMPOSED FOR AN INDETERMINATE PERIOD.  
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